The Trail Inventory of Wheeler NWR

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Wheeler NWR

Trail and Trail Feature Summaries

Trail Miles and Percentages by Surface Type and Condition

Trail Surface	Excel	lent	Total
Туре	Miles	%	Miles
Gravel	3.12	100%	3.12
Asphalt	0.02	100%	0.02
Boardwalk	0.40	100%	0.40
Total	3.54	100%	3.54

Trail Miles and Percentages by Trail Classification and Condition

Trail	Excellent	Total
Classification	Miles %	Miles
тсз	3.12 100%	3.12
TC5	0.42 100%	0.42
Total	3.54 100%	3.54

^{*}Admin Roads are included in the inventory but are not rated for condition.

Trail Features

Trail Number	Feature Type	Quantity	Grouped Feature	Milepost	Photo
T300	Sign	1	No	0.00	WHEE_C2_00 17
T300	Trailhead	1	No	0.00	WHEE_C2_00 16
T300	Sign	1	No	0.01	WHEE_C2_00 18
T300	Bridge -sf	315	No	0.51	WHEE_C2_00 19
T301	Trailhead	1	No	0.00	WHEE_C2_00 22
T301	Sign	1	No	0.00	WHEE_C2_00 23
T301	Sign	1	No	0.02	WHEE_C2_00 24
T301	Begin Section	1	No	0.23	WHEE_C2_00 26
T301	Sign	1	No	0.23	WHEE_C2_00 25
T301	Lookout/Ob Deck	1	No	0.49	
T500	Trailhead	1	No	0.00	WHEE_C2_00 01
T500	Begin Section	1	No	0.02	WHEE_C2_00 03
T500	Sign	1	No	0.02	WHEE_C2_00 02
T500	Begin Section	1	No	0.11	
T500	Boardwalk -If	85	No	0.19	WHEE_C2_00 04
T500	Begin Section	1	No	0.23	WHEE_C2_00 05
T500	Begin Section	1	No	0.27	
T501	Sign	1	No	0.00	WHEE_C2_00 07
T501	Trailhead	1	No	0.00	WHEE_C2_00 08
T501	Begin Section	1	No	0.01	WHEE_C2_00 10
T501	Sign	4	Yes	0.02	WHEE_C2_00 09
T501	Begin Section	1	No	0.07	
T501	Bridge -sf	243	No	0.08	WHEE_C2_00 11
T502	Trailhead	1	No	0.00	WHEE_C2_00 13
T502	Gate	1	No	0.00	
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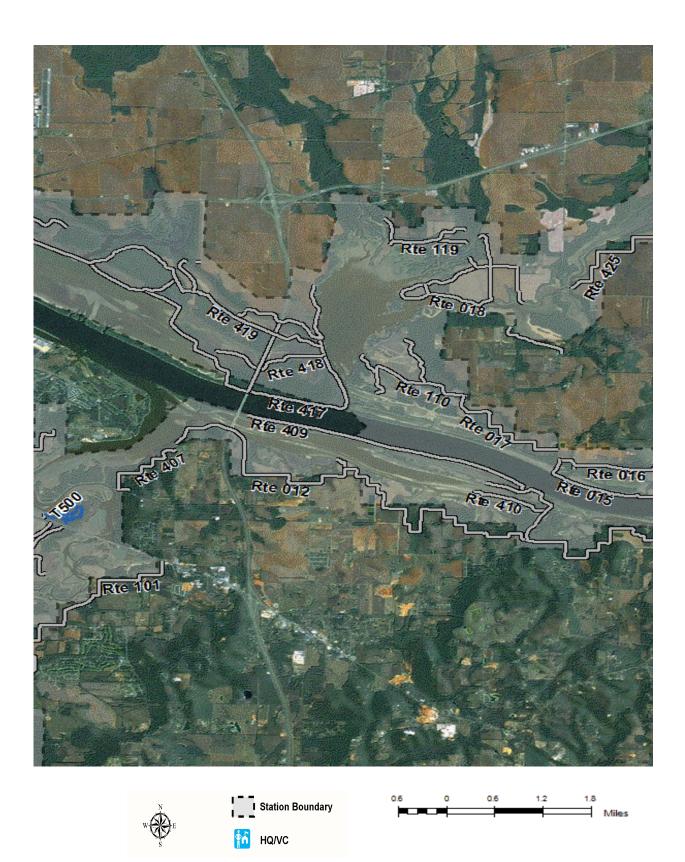
T502	Sign	1	No	0.00	WHEE_C2_00 12
T502	Sign	2	Yes	0.03	WHEE_C2_00 14
T502	Sign	1	No	0.05	
T502	Bridge -sf	91	No	0.07	WHEE_C2_00 15

sf - square feet

If - linear feet

cf - cubic feet

Wheeler NWR Trail Location Map

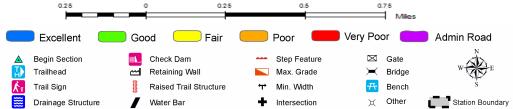


Trails ID

Station Name: Wheeler NWR Org Code: 43660

Trail Number	Trail Name	Surface Type	SAMMS	Trail Mileage	Trail Description (Begin and End point of trail)
T300	Dancy Bottoms Nature Trail	Gravel	10019440	1.18	From Dancy Bottoms Parking (Rte 904) to Bean Place Road (Rte 101)
T301	Beaver Dam Boardwalk	Boardwalk	10019444	0.26	From Old HWY 20 Parking lot to Observation Platform
T301	Beaver Dam Boardwalk	Gravel	10019444	0.23	From Old HWY 20 Parking lot to Observation Platform
T500	Flint Creek Trail	Asphalt	10019442	0.02	From Handicapped Fishing (Rte 901) to end of loop
T500	Flint Creek Trail	Boardwalk	10019442	0.08	From Handicapped Fishing (Rte 901) to end of loop
T500	Flint Creek Trail	Gravel	10019442	1.20	From Handicapped Fishing (Rte 901) to end of loop
T501	Atkeson Cypress Trail	Boardwalk	10019441	0.06	From Visitor Center Parking (Rte 902) to End of Loop
T501	Atkeson Cypress Trail	Gravel	10019441	0.40	From Visitor Center Parking (Rte 902) to End of Loop
T502	Wildlife Observation Building	Gravel	10019446	0.11	From Visitor Center Parking (Rte 902) to Wildlife Observation Building





Trail Name: Dancy Bottoms Nature Trail Refuge Name: Wheeler NWR

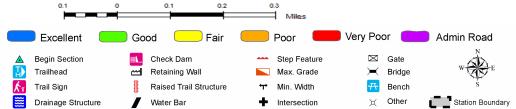
Trail Number: T300 Region: 4 Total Length: 1.18 Miles

Section Number	001
Section Length (miles)	1.18
SAMMS Number	10019440
Rating Date	06/26/2006
Trail Section Information	
Trail Class	TC3
Surface Type	Gravel
Surface Firmness	Firm
Width (inches)	48
Average Grade (%)	1.3
Average X-slope (%)	0.40
Trail Condition Information	
Deferred Maintenance	\$731
CRV	\$102,280
FCI	0.01
Condition	Excellent

Trail Condition TOTALS

Deferred Maintenance	CRV	FCI	Condition
\$731	\$102,280	0.01	Excellent





Trail Name: Beaver Dam Boardwalk Refuge Name: Wheeler NWR

Trail Number: T301 Region: 4 Total Length: **0.49 Miles**

Section Number Section Length (miles) SAMMS Number	001 0.23 10019444	002 0.26 10019444
Rating Date	06/26/2006	06/26/2006
Trail Section Information		
Trail Class	TC3	TC5
Surface Type	Gravel	Boardwalk
Surface Firmness	Hard	Hard
Width (inches)	60	60
Average Grade (%)	0.9	0.9
Average X-slope (%)	0.60	0.60
Trail Condition Information		
Deferred Maintenance		
CRV	\$24,919	\$139,610
FCI	0.00	0.00
Condition	Excellent	Excellent

Trail Condition TOTALS

Deferred Maintenance	CRV	FCI	Condition
	\$164,530	0.00	Excellent



	0.1	0	0.1	0.2	0.3	3 Miles		
	Excellent	Go	od Fair		Poor	Very Poo	or 🛑	Admin Road
	Begin Section Trailhead	<u> </u>	Check Dam Retaining Wall		Step Feature Max. Grade		Gate Bridge	W E
Ŕī	Trail Sign	1	Raised Trail Structure	₩	Min. Width	/\	Bench	S
	Drainage Structure	_	Water Bar	+	Intersection	×	Other	Station Boundary

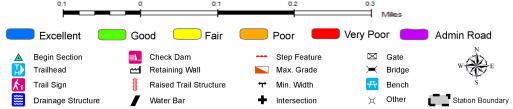
Trail Name:Flint Creek TrailRefuge Name:Wheeler NWRTrail Number:T500Region: 4Total Length:1.30 Miles

Section Number	001	002	003	004	005
Section Length (miles)	0.02	0.08	0.91	0.22	0.07
SAMMS Number	10019442	10019442	10019442	10019442	10019442
Rating Date	06/26/2006	06/26/2006	06/26/2006	06/26/2006	06/26/2006
Trail Section Information					
Trail Class	TC5	TC5	TC3	TC3	TC3
Surface Type	Asphalt	Boardwalk	Gravel	Gravel	Gravel
Surface Firmness	Paved	Hard	Hard	Hard	Hard
Width (inches)	96	96	96	96	96
Average Grade (%)	1.9	1.9	1.9	0.9	0.6
Average X-slope (%)	2.60	2.60	2.60	1.50	0.90
Trail Condition Information					
Deferred Maintenance					
CRV	\$4,447	\$68,727	\$157,750	\$38,138	\$12,136
FCI	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Condition	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

Trail Condition TOTALS

Deferred Maintenance	CRV	FCI	Condition
	\$281,198	0.00	Excellent





Trail Name: Atkeson Cypress Trail Refuge Name: Wheeler NWR **Trail Number:** T501 Region: 4

Section Number Section Length (miles) SAMMS Number	001 0.01 10019441	002 0.06 10019441	003 0.39 10019441
Rating Date	06/26/2006	06/26/2006	06/26/2006
Trail Section Information			
Trail Class	TC3	TC5	TC3
Surface Type	Gravel	Boardwalk	Gravel
Surface Firmness	Hard	Hard	Hard
Width (inches)	72	72	72
Average Grade (%)	0.9	0.9	0.9
Average X-slope (%)	1.50	1.50	1.50
Trail Condition Information			
Deferred Maintenance			
CRV	\$1,301	\$38,665	\$50,705
FCI	0.00	0.00	0.00
Condition	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

Trail Condition TOTALS

Deferred Maintenance	CRV	FCI	Condition
	\$90,671	0.00	Excellent

Total Length: 0.46 Miles





Trail Name: Wildlife Observation Building Refuge Name: Wheeler NWR **Trail Number:** T502 Region: 4

2.0

0.50

Section Number 001 Section Length (miles) 0.11 10019446 SAMMS Number 06/26/2006 Rating Date Trail Section Information TC3 Trail Class Gravel Surface Type Surface Firmness Hard Width (inches) 72

Trail Condition Information

Average Grade (%)

Average X-slope (%)

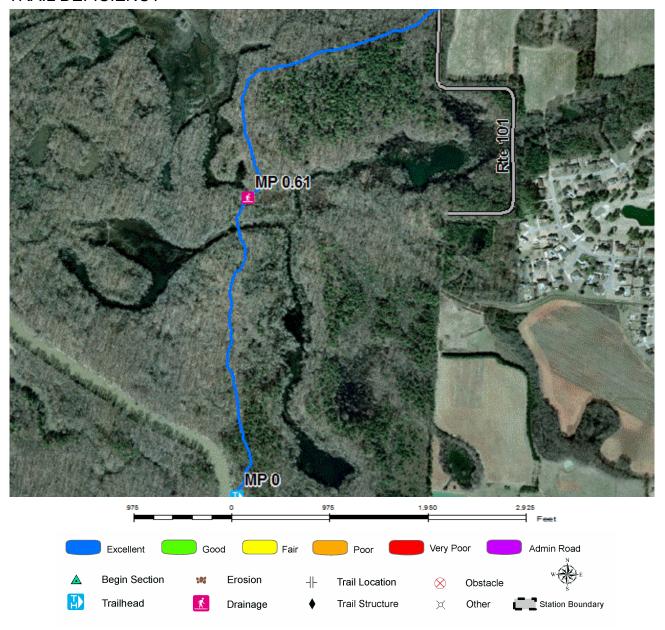
Deferred Maintenance
CRV \$14,302
FCI 0.00
Condition Excellent

Trail Condition TOTALS

Deferred Maintenance	CRV	FCI	Condition
	\$14,302	0.00	Excellent

Total Length: 0.11 Miles

TRAIL DEFICIENCY



Trail Name: Dancy Bottoms Nature Trail Refuge Name: Wheeler NWR **Trail Number:** T300 Region: 4

0.61 Mile Post 001 Section Number Photo Number WHEE_C2_0020 Drainage Deficiency Build/Add Action Puncheon -If Item Quantity 80 **Deferred Maintenance** \$731

Total Length: 1.18 Miles

TRAIL NUMBER: T300 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0016 - MP 0.00 - Trailhead

TRAIL NUMBER: T300 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0017 - MP 0.00 - Sign

TRAIL NUMBER: T300 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0018 - MP 0.01 - Sign

TRAIL NUMBER: T300 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0019 - MP 0.51 - Bridge -sf

TRAIL NUMBER: T301 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0022 - MP 0.00 - Trailhead

TRAIL NUMBER: T301 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0023 - MP 0.00 - Sign

TRAIL NUMBER: T301 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0024 - MP 0.02 - Sign

TRAIL NUMBER: T301 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0025 - MP 0.23 - Sign

TRAIL NUMBER: T301 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0026 - MP 0.23 - Begin Section

TRAIL NUMBER: T500 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0001 - MP 0.00 - Trailhead

TRAIL NUMBER: T500 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0002 - MP 0.02 - Sign

TRAIL NUMBER: T500 STATION: Wheeler NWR



Photo # WHEE_C2_0003 - MP 0.02 - Begin Section

TRAIL NUMBER: T500 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0004 - MP 0.19 - Boardwalk -If

TRAIL NUMBER: T500 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0005 - MP 0.23 - Begin Section

TRAIL NUMBER: T501 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0008 - MP 0.00 - Trailhead

TRAIL NUMBER: T501 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0007 - MP 0.00 - Sign

TRAIL NUMBER: T501 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0009 - MP 0.02 - Sign

TRAIL NUMBER: T501 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0011 - MP 0.08 - Bridge -sf

TRAIL NUMBER: T501 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0010 - MP 0.01 - Begin Section

TRAIL NUMBER: T502 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0012 - MP 0.00 - Sign

TRAIL NUMBER: T502 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0013 - MP 0.00 - Trailhead

TRAIL NUMBER: T502 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0014 - MP 0.03 - Sign

TRAIL NUMBER: T502 STATION: Wheeler NWR DATE: 06/26/2006



Photo # WHEE_C2_0015 - MP 0.07 - Bridge -sf

Glossary of Terms and Abbreviations

Acc Info Accessibility information available at trailhead.

Action Action required to correct deficiency.

Admin Road Administration Road. Admin Roads signed and

advertised as trails are included in the trail inventory but

a condition assessment is NOT done.

Alt SAMMS SAMMS number of Alternate Facility Type.

Alt Type Alternate Facility Type. Trail lies on a feature such as a

levee, dam, administrative road or bridge, which has a

separate SAMMS number.

AvgGrade The average grade of the trail (%). The average of five

measurements for trails less than two miles and ten measurements for trails equal to or greater than 2 miles.

AvgSlope The average cross-slope of the trail (%). The average of

five measurements for trails less than two miles and ten measurements for trails equal to or greater than 2 miles.

Check Dam A small dam constructed across a drainage ditch, swale,

or channel to lower the speed of concentrated flows.

Condition Subjective rating of trail based on Facility Condition

Index (FCI):

FCI </= - .01 = Excellent FCI .02 - .05 = Good FCI .06 - .10 = Fair FCI .11 - .20 = Poor FCI > - .20 = Failed

Crib Wall Retaining wall.

Current

Replacement Value

(CRV)

The value of an asset determined by the estimated cost of

replacing it.

Def type Deficiency Type: Trail Structure, Drainage, Erosion,

Obstacle, Trail Location, Other.

Deferred

Maintenance (DM)

Maintenance that was not performed when scheduled.

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Elem ID Unique identifier for each trail section: Org Code-Trail

Number-Section Number.

Facility

Condition Index (FCI)

DM/CRV

Grouped Features Grouped features include non-unique signs (mileposts,

interpretive signs, species identification, etc.), water bars, check dams, steps, drain and drainage dips. For any given grouped feature, a GPS point and photo are taken for the first occurrence only and the total number of features in the group are entered into the "quantity"

field of the data dictionary.

Info Type Type of accessibility information available at trailhead:

brochure, sign or other.

Item Item on which the "Action" (see above) will be

performed.

Manage_Use Managed use of the trail: HIKE, BIKE, NSPC (non-

specified), PACK, POR (portage), SNOWSHOE, XSKI

(cross-country ski), OTHER.

MP Distance of a trail feature or deficiency from the

Trailhead.

Puncheon Log footbridge used in area of poor drainage.

Raised Trail Structure Boardwalk, Turnpike, Puncheon.

T Class Trail Class: I-V (see Appendix? for trail class

descriptions).

Tr Desig Trail Designation: Standard (Std), National Historic Trail

(NHT), National Recreation Trail (NRT), National

Scenic Trail (NST).

Turnpike Trail tread elevated with dirt, rock or other aggregate

from parallel side ditches and held in place by logs.